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Andrew Jackson to William John Duane, July 23, 1833, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO SECRETARY DUANE.

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The President with his respects to the Secretary of the Treasury, encloses to him for his information and perusal, the report of the Government directors of the Bank of the United States, from which some of its corrupt administration is unfolded.

The Secretary of the Treasury being about to visit Philadelphia and having the power to examine its Books, and make enquiry into its administration, the enclosed reports may enable him fully to investigate the management of the Bank in these, and other particulars, to satisfy himself, and the President with regard to the corruption charged. The executive believes this necessary, as one fifth of the sums applied to corrupt Printers, and to buy over members of congress, if so applied, belongs to the people of these United States over which, we are placed as the public guardians. When the secretary has read and noted the reports, he will please return them.